IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Michael Clinton Johnson

Title: GAS PURIFICATION APPARATUS

AND PROCESS

Group Art Unit: 1764

Filed: August 16, 2001

Examiner: Thanh P. Duong

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ACCOMPANYING FEES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

(A) Extension of Time and Requisite Fee:

The undersigned Attorney respectfully petitions the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for taking action in the aboveidentified application for a period of time indicated in the box below.

Original Period for Response was Set to Expire on: 11/30/05 (Month/Day/Year)

(2) Statutory Period Expires ___ 05/30/06 (Month/Day/Year)

Extension now requested (NOT TO EXCEED STATUTORY PERIOD) is for the following period of time from date (1) above:

	One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Credit is requested for prior extension fees paid	Fee \$ 120.00 \$ 450.00 \$ 1020.00 \$1,590.00 \$
(B)	Additional Fee for Response filed herewith: Amendment (additional claims) Notice of Appeal Appeal Brief Declaration	\$500.00 \$130.00

Total Fee for this Petition and any Response filed herewith: (C)

The total fee, in the amount of \$1,590, is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-2440.

Please charge any additional fee which may be required for this Petition and/or Response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-2440. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for the convenience of the Finance Branch.

Praxair, Inc. Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113

Dated: May 24, 2006

Our Ref: D-21109

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